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FOR SHERMAN, EA/J; NYE, T

E. O. 11652: GDS

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SUBJ: IMPENDING U.S. NUCLEAR POLICY UNDER DEBATE IN DIET

REFS: A) TOKYO 1016, B) 76 TOKYO 18952

1. DIRGEN OKAWA OF UN BUREAU, MOFA, CALLED CHARGE TO SAY THAT LOWER HOUSE S&T COMMITTEE HAD BEGUN CONSIDERATION OF NPT SAFEGUARDS AGREEMENT WITH IAEA, AND THAT DURING COURSE OF QUESTIONING OF GOJ OFFICIALS (PARTICULARLY STA DIRGEN UN), DIET MEMBERS BEGAN TO

EXPRESS CONCERN ABOUT REPORTS THAT U.S. IS PREPARING TO ENACT STRINGENT NUCLEAR POLICY, AND TO QUESTION WHETHER IT HAD BEEN IN JAPAN'S BEST INTERESTS TO RATIFY NPT. DIET MEMBERS ALSO CHASTIZED GOJ OFFICIALS FOR NOT EXPRESSING JAPANESE VIEWS STRONGLY ENOUGH TO USG.

2. OKAWA SAID THAT IT MAY BECOME IMPERATIVE FOR GOJ TO INFORM DIET OF CONTENTS OF AIDE MEMOIRE THAT WAS DELIVERED TO USG ON 12/28/76, TO GIVE SOME EVIDENCE THAT GOJ HAS BEEN IN DIPLOMATIC CONTACT WITH USG ON NUCLEAR ENERGY POLICY AND TO DEMONSTRATE THAT IT HAD TAKEN A FORTHCOMING, POSITIVE APPROACH. (DIET IS AWARE OF EXISTENCE OF AIDE MEMOIRE BUT NOT SPECIFIC LANGUAGE). CHARGE REPLIED
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THAT NO ADVICE HAD BEEN RECEIVED FROM WASHINGTON ON USG POSITION REGARDING RELEASE OF AIDE MEMOIRE TO DIET (SEE REFTELS) AND THAT HE WOULD SEEK IMMEDIATE GUIDANCE BEFORE NEXT DIET COMMITTEE MEETING. OKAWA WAS AGREEABLE TO RECEIVING USG VIEWS BY MONDAY TOKYO TIME.

3. WE RECOMMEND THAT DEPT AGREE TO GOJ GIVING AIDE MEMOIRE TO DIET IF ASKED. ALTHOUGH TEXT HAS NOT BEEN MADE PUBLIC OFFICIALLY,

LEAKS (REFTEL A) AND GENERAL DISCUSSIONS BY GOJ OFFICIALS WITH PRESS AND INDUSTRY HAVE REVEALED MUCH OF ITS SUBSTANCE. REQUEST REPLY ASAP.

4. WE HAVE ALSO LEARNED THAT NEW CABINET COMMITTEE COMPRISED OF EIGHT MINISTERS WILL MEET FOR FIRST TIME TOMORROW TO DISCUSS JAPAN'S OVERALL ENERGY POLICY. ONE OF ITEMS ON AGENDA WILL BE "PROBLEMS OF REPROCESSING OF SPENT FUEL--STALEMATED BY CARTER POLICY."

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